

In distinguishing his *H. megacephalon* from *H. Gronovii* Mr. Nash emphasizes as a specific character of the former its early flowering season, March to May. As represented in the Gray Herbarium, the Florida specimens have been collected as early; but the Pennsylvanian specimens of *H. Marianum* var. *spathulatum*, which seem identical with the Florida plant, were collected early in July, and in the vicinity of Boston the typical *H. Marianum* often flowers by the middle of June. Furthermore, the Gray Herbarium sheet of Simpson's no. 575 (distributed as *H. Gronovii*) from Fort Myers, Fla., May 3, 1892, contains two plants, one of them *H. Marianum* var. *spathulatum*, the other somewhat intermediate between that and typical *H. Marianum*, but much nearer the latter. It would therefore seem that, though the var. *spathulatum* is a spring or early summer form, it is not entirely unique in its flowering season. The following Florida specimens of *H. Marianum* var. *spathulatum* have been examined: Fort Myers (J. H. Simpson, no. 575 in part), Lake City (F. C. Straub, no. 37), Port Orange (F. Straub, no. 86), Eau Gallie (A. H. Curtiss, no. 5818).

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VIBURNUM DEMETRIONIS.

SINCE publishing *Viburnum Demetrionis* in the BOTANICAL GAZETTE (22: 166-7. 1896) we have secured ripe fruit from Mr. C. H. Demetrio, collected by his friend, Rev. E. Heck, at the type locality in central Missouri, August 30, 1896. This material furnishes the following supplementary characters:

Fruit somewhat fleshy, oblong in outline, rounded at the ends, 5 to 6 lines long, 3 lines broad, slightly compressed, shining, black; putamen oblong, strongly compressed, somewhat thicker and slightly pointed at one end; one surface with a median and two shallow intra-marginal grooves, the other with two (often indistinct) intra-marginal grooves; seeds thin, slightly concavo-convex.—W. DEANE and B. L. ROBINSON, *Cambridge, Mass.*